



# CLINTON-ESSEX-FRANKLIN LIBRARY

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# NEWSLETTER

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## MEETING ON INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

The regularly scheduled spring meeting on April 24 will be on: INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM AND THE LIBRARIAN. Our speaker will be Mr. Stephen Oppenheim, lawyer, trustee of the Ramapo-Catskill Library System and member of the New York Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee.

We consider this to be an important meeting which will be of practical value to librarians, trustees, and members of book selection committees.

You will receive an additional memo on the meeting shortly.

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

National Library Week this year is April 16-22. This year's theme is YOUR LIBRARY BRINGS IT ALL TOGETHER. Senator Earl H. Brydges is the chairman of the Library Week Committee of the New York Library Association this year.

We have ordered some National Library Week promotional material. We plan to distribute this in time for you to use. We encourage you to distribute them to places where non-library users are apt to be, e.g., barbershops, beauty shops, supermarkets, etc. You may also be able to solicit some publicity through local clubs and organizations.

National Library Week is an especially appropriate time to plan special programs such as story hours, film showings, book talks etc.

## STATE AID FOR LIBRARY SYSTEMS

As of this writing we have no definite word on the status of the library legislation now in the state legislature. However, our local representatives do tell us that the response has been good. Nevertheless, their story is the same: no money. If anyone has not yet written their local representatives, and also Senators Brydges, Anderson, and Laverne, and Assemblymen Duryea, and Stephens, and Assemblywoman Cook, we would urge you to do so. Likewise a letter to the Governor might also help.

New legislation for increased state aid to library systems, similar to the old legislation, has been introduced since we sent you the memo encouraging you to write your representatives. The bill numbers are S-8696 in the senate and

A-10054 in the assembly. The main change in the new bills is that additional book aid is given for the central library. The other provisions are the same.

Now that the governor's budget has been acted upon, our hope lies in the supplemental budget.

We thank you for the support you have given us through your letters.

#### AWARD WINNING BOOKS

The Newbery and Caldecott award winning books have recently been announced. The Newbery award for the writing of a children's story went to:

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimb, by Robert O'Brien

Honorable mentions went to:

Incident at Hawk's Hill, by Allan Eckert  
Planet of Junior Brown, by Virginia Hamilton  
Annie and the Old One, by Miska Miles  
The Tombs of Atuan, by Ursula LeGuin  
Headless Cupid, by Zilpha Snyder

The Caldecott award for the best illustrated children's book went to:

One Fine Day, written and illustrated by Nonnie Hogrogrian

Honorable mentions went to:

If all the Seas were One Sea, a traditional nursery rhyme illustrated by Janina Domanska  
Hildilid's Night, by Cheli Ryan, illustrated by Arnold Lobel  
Moja Means One, by Muriel Feelings, illustrated by Tom Feelings

#### FEDERAL TAX EXEMPTION

Some libraries are getting notices from the U.S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, that they must apply for tax exempt status. If your library has not already secured a ruling of tax exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service, you must go through the procedures necessary to establish this. We believe that public libraries are covered automatically through the governmental unit to which they belong. Association libraries, however, must comply with all the procedures.

An organization is not exempt as a matter of course or through a mere claim of compliance with the law. A formal application must be filed before a determination of a library's status can be made.... The office to which application should be made is: District Director, Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 3100, Church Street Station, New York, New York, 10008. The forms that have to be filed are as follows:

Form 1023 Exemption Application  
Form 4653 Notification Concerning Foundation Status

Form SS-4 Application for Employer Identification Number (If you do not already have one.)

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### SLIDES

By now each library should have some slide catalogs. These may be distributed to any interested patron at the librarian's discretion.

There is some confusion about slide lending and reserves. Generally we prefer to treat slide loans like book loans, i.e., when the request is received, it will be filled immediately if the slides are on hand. If they are out, they will be sent as soon as they are available. However, on occasion, a group may need a given topic for a date a month or two in the future. We will comply with this type of request as much as possible, but we will not solicit this type of request. Patrons needing this type of advance reserve will probably prefer to call Marie Chauvin at CEF headquarters for an immediate reply. Other loans can be submitted on film request forms and sent along with your book and film requests. For slides, only the slide title and library need be filled out. The rest of the form usually applies only to movies.

If there is no rush involved, it is best to have the slides sent by our station wagon on a regular delivery. They should be returned to us on the next regular delivery. This practice is easier on the slides themselves and also saves postage. A library may request as many sets as its patrons wish to borrow.

Just a reminder - we have a slide projector and a movie projector which may be loaned to libraries for library use.

### FROM OUR REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

Can you help us? About two months ago we loaned System headquarter's copy of American Book Prices Current 1960 - 1965, which gives auction prices of rare books. We cannot find a charge slip indicating which library has it. Please, if you borrowed this book return it immediately. We need it badly.

### WHO OWNS THESE?

Two books were received for cataloging but have no ownership identification. They are:

Muzzy, by Charles W. Thayer  
Elizabeth Taylor, by Elizabeth Taylor

We will be happy to send them to you if they are yours.

May we encourage you to stamp your books with your library name before you send them to us. Slips of paper occasionally are lost, as the above two books indicate.

### CEF STAFF CHANGES

John Carlton has joined our staff in the book processing department....Virginia Lazzara is now working in our reference department half-time....Susan Therrian is working at the central library half-time in the LSCA grant position.

## OBITUARIES

Mrs. Mary Clements, who served as librarian at Port Henry for 38 years, passed away in late December.

Mrs. Ruth Day, who worked as a clerk in the CEF processing department, passed away February 28 after a long illness. We will all miss her.

## AKWESASNE

The Akwesasne Library of the St. Regis Mohawk Indians is benefiting from a \$20,000 grant to the Franklin County Economic Opportunity Council to fund a 12-month neighborhood center effort and operate a library and cultural center through November, 1972. The library will also be benefiting from a \$5,000 LSCA Title I grant for library materials coming through the Clinton-Essex-Franklin Library.

## AUSABLE FORKS

Mrs. Royce Miller has been appointed librarian to succeed Mrs. Pearl Maicus who recently resigned...New trustees are Paul Beattie and Mrs. Louis Sorrell...More books were purchased in 1971 than in any previous year...There are plans to form a "Friends of the Library" group in April.

## KEENE VALLEY

The local 7th and 8th graders exhibited their art work in the library recently, and the 5th graders exhibited their stitchery...An open house for the Keene Central School Faculty was held January 28 to acquaint them with the library services available...The library has been presented with an American flag that once flew over the Capitol.

## KEESEVILLE

Mrs. Olga Patnode left January 31 for a 6 month leave of absence. Mrs. Dominic (Helen) Camelo is acting in her place.

## MALONE

Registration for 1971 was considerably up over the 1970 figures...Circulation rose 5.1% during 1971...The meeting room was used 77 times during 1971.

## PERU

Four new shelving units were recently installed. They were obtained through C.A. Lockrow in Plattsburgh...The new film program has been successful. Total attendance for 4 showings on two dates was 193. The children's films are shown in the afternoon and the adult films in the evening.

## PLATTSBURGH

In the interest of speeding-up public service, the library is renting the Bro-Dac automatic charging system by Bro-Dart for a six-month trial...Plans for the building extension are progressing and bids will be solicited shortly.

SARANAC LAKE

The annual meeting was held February 1. The Story of the Adirondacks illustrated by slides was given at the meeting by Mrs. James Lamy, a public relations specialist for the Adirondack Museum at Blue Mountain Lake...The library plans a major capital fund-raising drive to augment depleted funds...Total circulation in 1971 increased by 1,232. Registered borrowers and the book stock also increased.

TUPPER LAKE

The opening of the Goff-Nelson Library has been postponed until May 29. Otherwise we can say that the new building is progressing well and looks beautiful. Several librarians from the CEF Library visited to offer recommendations.

WADHAMS

A food sale was held Saturday April 1 to benefit the library...The new addition is now complete except for the plumbing. The postponed dedication and plaque installation will be Friday evening April 21. This room will be dedicated to Mrs. Sayre, the former librarian.

ESSEX

Last minute flash - Mrs. Pattie Ingelstrom has resigned from her position as librarian effective April 1. Mrs. Nancy Hopper is replacing her.

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